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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Application of :  
 Takashi NIWA et al. :  
 Serial No. 09/700,323 :  
 Filed: November 14, 2000 :  
 For: OPTICAL MICROCATILEVER, :  
 MANUFACTURING METHOD :  
 THEREOF, AND OPTICAL :  
 MICROCATILEVER HOLDER : Docket No. S004-4139(PCT)

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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS  
 UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES  
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On September 7, 2001, the PTO issued a Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) ("Notification") advising that the application was filed without a declaration and providing a two-month period in which to submit the declaration and surcharge for late filing thereof.

In response to the PTO Notification, a duly signed declaration is submitted herewith together with a check in the sum of \$130.00 to cover the required surcharge for the late

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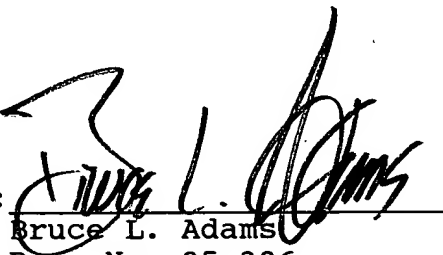
filing of the declaration. Also submitted is a copy of the PTO Notification. Should the check prove insufficient for any reason, authorization is hereby given to charge any such deficiency to Deposit Account No. 01-0268.

It is respectfully requested that the processing of the application be completed, and that the filing receipt be issued in due course.

Respectfully submitted,

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